

KEY FACTS A B O U T

Children birth to 3 years, their families, and the child care system that serves them

Florida

Total population: 15,982,378



An average of 25,392 children 0-3 are served per month by the Child Care and Development Fund

(FY 2001 ACF-801 data)

In Federal Fiscal Year 2004 the Infant/Toddler Child Care and Development Fund Set-Aside = \$5,556,852

(FY 2004 CCDF Allocations and Earmarks, U.S. Dept. of HHS, ACF)



2,835 children served by 25 grantees are in Early Head Start

(2003 Early Head Start Funded Enrollment) (EHSNRC Database—April 2004)

46% of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs were for infant and toddler care

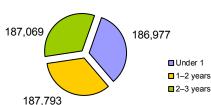
(Child Care Profile, United States/NACCRRA, March 2003)



16,894 children under 3 are served by the Early Intervention program

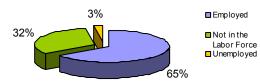
(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs, Data Analysis System (DANS), Dec. 2002)

561.839 Children Under 3 Live in Florida



U.S. Census 2000

65% of Florida Women with Children Under the Age of 3 Are in the Labor **Force**



Current Population Survey, March 2001

Professional Development of Infant/Toddler Caregivers

Infant/Toddler Caregiver No

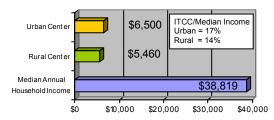
Credential:

130 issued in 2002 Infant/Toddler Child Development Associate*: 139 issued in 1998

Early Learning Guidelines for 0-3: In Development

*Council on Professional Recognition

Annual Cost of Infant/Toddler Child Care as a Percent of Median Income



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In Center-Based Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:4 for birth-12 months; 1:6 for 1- to 2-year-olds; 1:11 for 2- to 3year-olds; 1:15 for 3- to 4-year-olds (State Licensing Regulations)

In Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:10 (with no more than 5 pre-school age children, and of these, no more than 2 children under 1 year) OR 1:6 (preschool-age children only with none under 1 year) OR

1:6 (with no more than 3 children under 1 year) OR 1:4 (if all children are under 1 year)

(State Licensing Regulations)

In Group Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are

2:8 (if all children are birth to 24 months) OR 2:12 (with no more than 4 children under 24 months) (State Licensing Regulations)

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